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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/685,073 Confirmation No. 4343
Applicant : Robert C. Whitson
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Title : LANCING DEVICE

TC/A.U. : 3738
Examiner : Christopher D. Prone

Docket No. : MSE-2671

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
DATED JULY 18, 2005

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313

Dear Commissioner:

The Restriction Requirement was mailed on July 18, 2005 and the shortened time period to respond was August 18, 2005. Applicant is submitting herewith a Petition for One Month Extension of Time, extending the deadline for response to September 18, 2005. In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed July 18, 2005, please consider the following remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.